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SUMMARY

A brief evaluation of pentaborane - JP-4 fuel mixtures was conducted in a turbojet engine at a simulated flight altitude of 50,000 feet and a Mach number of 0.8. A total of 265 pounds of pentaborane was used, which limited the evaluation to two individual test periods of 6- and 12-minutes duration.

Engine data including thrust and specific fuel consumption are presented herein in both tabular and graphical form for various pentaborane-JP-4 fuel blends as well as photographs showing the condition of the engine at the conclusion of the investigation.

INTRODUCTION

In the course of improving the specific fuel consumption and, hence, the range of jet-engine powered aircraft, major developments are being made in improved engine design. Equal or even greater gains in specific fuel consumption can be made by the use of fuels possessing higher heating values than the present hydrocarbon fuels. High-energy fuels of current interest are those containing boron and hydrogen, the two currently available elements possessing higher heating values (on a weight basis) than current jet-engine fuels.

One representative boron hydride fuel that is available in limited quantities and is receiving major research attention is pentaborane. Pentaborane has a heating value of 29,140 Btu per pound in contrast with a heating value of 18,900 Btu per pound for a typical hydrocarbon fuel. The ratio of the heating values of the fuels roughly indicates the flight-range extension possible with the use of pentaborane when the fuel is burned at a lean fuel-air ratio such as in a turbojet engine.

Several problems are associated with the practical utilization of fuels containing boron in a turbojet engine. One such problem is the nature of the products of combustion. Boron oxide has a melting point of about 1000° F, does not vaporize rapidly, and therefore is a viscous liquid at normal turbojet-combustor outlet operating temperatures and can be solidified upon contact with cool engine parts. The presence of the viscous liquid or the formation of solid deposits may seriously hinder engine performance, thus negating the potential advantages of boron-containing fuel.

Experimental investigations of the performance of boron-containing fuels in ram-jet and turbojet engines and engine components have been conducted at the NACA Lewis laboratory through the cooperation of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Department of the Navy. Additional small-scale work on the reactivity and inflammability characteristics of boron hydrides has also been carried out.

The encouraging results of previous investigations indicated the desirability of investing a portion of the limited pentaborane supply available to evaluate the performance and operational characteristics of pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends in a full-scale engine. The objectives of the investigation reported herein were (1) to demonstrate whether the use of these fuels to reduce specific fuel consumption was feasible in an essentially unmodified turbojet engine, and (2) to determine the nature of the problems that might arise with the use of these fuels in the standard turbojet engine. A current production-model turbojet engine was used in this investigation and the investigation was conducted at a Reynolds number index of 0.2, which corresponds to an altitude of 50,000 feet and a flight Mach number of about 0.8.

APPARATUS

Engine and Installation

A schematic sketch of the engine installed in the 10-foot-diameter altitude test chamber is shown in figure 1. The turbojet engine used in these tests contains a twelve-stage axial-flow compressor, eight tubular combustion chambers, and a single-stage turbine. A fixed-area nozzle was used which was sized for maximum allowable turbine-discharge temperature, 1250° F, at approximately 95 percent rated engine speed to allow a small margin of safety in engine operation during switching from one fuel to another.

Engine Modifications

The boron-containing fuels necessitated certain modifications to the engine and fuel system. The modifications to the engine combustor and

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tail pipe increased the metal temperature and reduced the cooling air recirculated into the primary gas stream, thus tending to reduce the amount of solid deposits. The various modifications are as follows:

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Combustor. - A solid retaining ring was used in place of the standard serrated retaining ring at the end of the combustor. This reduced the quantity of cooling air bypassed around the combustor through the transition region and hollow turbine nozzles and back into the primary gas stream.

Fuel nozzles. - Standard fuel nozzles were installed in the combustors only during the basic JP-4 run. Air-atomizing fuel nozzles were used during the pentaborane - JP-4 blend runs. Two lengths of air-atomizing fuel nozzles were used; configuration 1 extending $2\frac{15}{16}$ inches into the combustor and configuration 2 extending $2\frac{7}{16}$ inches into the combustor (fig. 2).

Turbine shroud. - The standard turbine shroud was modified as shown in figure 3 by increasing the tip clearance from the leading edge to the trailing edge of the turbine blade.

Tail pipe. - The standard test tail pipe and fixed-area exhaust nozzle were wrapped with an aluminum insulation blanket from the turbine station to the exhaust nozzle.

Fuel Systems

A schematic diagram of the fuel system used with pentaborane fuels is shown in figure 4. The JP-4 fuel was pumped and metered through a conventional fuel system. The pentaborane fuel was pressurized with helium forcing it from a suspended tank through metering devices into the special fuel nozzles. Provision was made for purging the pentaborane fuel lines with JP-4 and/or helium.

Fuels

The properties of the two fuels evaluated in this program, pentaborane and MIL-F-2624, grade JP-4 fuel, are presented in table I. The pentaborane was supplied by the Bureau of Aeronautics. The purity of the pentaborane was approximately 99 percent.

Boron oxide B₂O₃, a product of combustion of pentaborane, exhibits the following melting points:

Crystalline,	$\circ_{\mathbf{F}}$														842
Vitreous, OF															



Location of instrumentation stations and the instrumentation at each station are shown in the diagram and table in figure 1. One of the products of combustion, B_2O_3 , liquid at normal engine operating temperatures, required the use of a purge-type total-pressure probe at the stations downstream of the combustor. Engine air flow was measured at station 1, engine inlet. Engine fuel flow was measured by rotameters and Potter flowmeters. Engine thrust was measured with a null-type thrust cell.

PROCEDURE

The duration of engine running time for the two pentaborane fuel tests was 6 and 12 minutes because of the limited supply, and, hence, special operational and data taking procedures were necessary. In general, the procedure followed was to use a starting fuel to bring the engine to test conditions, then to transfer the engine over to the pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends. During the time interval that the engine was operated on the blends, the engine speed was modulated so as to maintain constant exhaust-gas temperature. Data were taken at about a 1-minute frequency on the conventional steady-state instrumentation. Insofar as possible, the engine was held at constant operating conditions during the "steady-state" data-recording cycle. Adjustments, if necessary, were made in the 10- to 20-second period between data reading. Because of the toxic nature of the pentaborane fuel, the engine was operated on JP-4 fuel following each run on pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blend in order to flush out the fuel system and engine of any pentaborane vapors.

Data were obtained at a Reynolds number index of 0.2, which corresponds to a simulated altitude of 50,000 feet and a flight Mach number of 0.8. The engine was operated at an inlet-air temperature of about 500°R over a range of actual speeds from 7000 to 7600 rpm for a range of pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends and JP-4 fuels. Adjusting the engine speed from the inlet temperature at which the data were taken to the inlet temperature for standard altitude of 50,000 feet Mach number 0.8 lowers the speed range to 6700 to 7200 rpm.

All symbols are defined in appendix A, and the methods of calculation are described in appendix B.

PRESENTATION OF DATA

Engine and component performance. - The effect of corrected engine speed on the engine total-temperature ratio and the total-pressure ratio for JP-4 fuel and pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends are presented in figure 5. At corrected engine speeds below 7700 rpm, the engine total-temperature ratio and total-pressure ratio were higher with the engine

operating on pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends than when the engine was operating on JP-4 fuel alone. This change in performance level indicates a decrease in effective flow areas within the engine.

The variation in thrust and total engine fuel flow with actual engine speed is presented in figure 6. Lines of constant fuel blends (percent by weight of total fuel flow) are included in figure 6(a) to show the decrease in total engine fuel flow as the pentaborane concentration is increased. The data included in this figure have been adjusted for small variations in engine total pressure and total temperature, and altitude ambient pressure in order to correspond to a simulated altitude of 50,000 feet and a flight Mach number of 0.8. Figures 7 and 8 include data adjusted to this same flight condition.

The variation in thrust and specific fuel consumption based on net thrust with engine total-temperature ratio is presented in figure 7. Lines of constant fuel blends (percent by weight) are included in figure 7(b) to show the decrease in specific fuel consumption as the percent of pentaborane concentration is increased. For the highest blend investigated, 42 percent, the specific fuel consumption is about 18 percent lower than with the conventional fuel.

At an engine total-temperature ratio of 3.5, the variation in combustor efficiency, turbine efficiency, and specific fuel consumption based on net thrust with the percent of pentaborane in JP-4 concentration is presented in figure 8. The reduction of engine speed with time of operation of pentaborane fuel at approximately constant exhaust-gas temperature is shown in figure 9. Engine speed could have been held constant if a variable-area nozzle had been used and would have allowed operation at essentially constant thrust. Because a fixed-area exhaust nozzle was used and the percent of blend is changing with time, only the combined effect of time and fuel blend on engine speed can be determined from this limited investigation.

Fuel deposits. - The condition of the engine parts exposed to pentaborane combustion products is shown in figure 10 following the test run with the modified fuel nozzle 2. The test run comprised an interval of engine operation with JP-4 fuel, 12 minutes of operation with pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends, and then followed by 32.9 minutes of operation with JP-4 fuel. The quantity of pentaborane fuel burned for this test run was 80 pounds and the resulting amount of boron oxide formed assuming 100 percent combustion efficiency was 220 pounds. No noticeable effect of these deposits on engine operation was observed during the investigation except the engine speed deterioration with time and blend. Subsequent engine operation with JP-4 fuel tended to remove the deposits and return the engine to its normal operating line.

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APPENDIX A

SYMBOLS

The following symbols are used in this report:

- A area, sq ft
- F_d thrust system scale reading, lb
- F jet thrust, lb
- Fn net thrust, 1b
- f fuel-air ratio
- g acceleration due to gravity, ft/sec²
- h enthalpy, Btu/lb
- h_{f} lower heating value of fuel, Btu/lb
- K thermodynamic constant
- M Mach number
- m mass flow, slugs/sec
- N engine speed, rpm
- P total pressure, lb/sq ft
- p static pressure, lb/sq ft
- T total temperature, OR
- V velocity, ft/sec
- W air flow, lb/sec
- W_f fuel flow, lb/hr
- γ ratio of specific heats
- δ ratio of engine-inlet total pressure P to P at M, 0.8; altitude, 50,000 ft



- $\theta_{\rm a}$ ratio of engine-inlet total temperature T to T at M, 0.8; altitude, 50,000 ft
- ratio of engine-inlet total temperature to NACA standard sea-level temperature, 519° R
- η efficiency

Subscripts:

- a air
- b combustor
- c compressor
- cl compressor twelfth-stage leakage flow
- g gas
- m fuel manifold
- t turbine
- tl turbine cooling
- O ambient or free-stream conditions
- l engine inlet or compressor inlet
- 3 compressor outlet or combustor inlet
- 4 combustor outlet or turbine inlet
- 5 turbine outlet
- 9 exhaust-nozzle inlet



APPENDIX B

METHOD OF CALCULATION

The values used for $\,c_p^{}$, γ , R and various enthalpies for air and hydrocarbon products of combustion were obtained from reference 1 and pentaborane and pentaborane blends from reference 2.

Engine air flow. - The compressor-inlet air flow was determined from total and static pressures and temperature measurements at station 1, the engine inlet. The compressor and turbine leakage was measured at two instrumented stations on the compressor and one on the turbine. Therefore,

$$W_{a,3} = W_{a,1} - W_{a,cl_1} - W_{a,cl} - W_{a,tl_1}$$
 (B1)

Thrust. - The jet thrust determined from the thrust system measurements was calculated from the following equation:

$$F_{j} = F_{d} + A_{s}(p_{l} - p_{0})$$
 (B2)

where $A_{\rm S}$ is the area of the seal around the engine inlet.

The net thrust was determined by subtracting the inlet momentum from the jet thrust:

$$F_{n} = F_{j} - \frac{W_{a,1}V_{O}}{g}$$
 (B3)

When the test conditions deviated from the desired simulated flight condition (M $_0$, 0.8; altitude, 50,000 ft) the data were adjusted by the appropriate values of δ_a and $\sqrt{\theta_a}$.

Combustion efficiency. - Combustion efficiency was defined as

$$\eta_{b} = \frac{(1 + f)h_{a,9} - h_{a,1}}{f h_{c}}$$
 (B4)

The JP-4 combustion efficiency was determined by

$$\eta_{b} = \frac{h_{a} T_{9}}{T_{1}} + f \left(\frac{A_{m} + B}{m + 1}\right) T_{m}}{f h_{f}}$$
(B5)

where $\frac{A_m + B}{m + 1}$ accounts for the difference between the enthalpy of

carbon dioxide and water vapor in the burned mixture and the enthalpy removed from the air by their formation (ref. 1). The temperature of the fuel prior to entry into the engine is T_m .

Pentaborane and pentaborane blends. - Pentaborane blends combustion efficiency was calculated as follows:

$$\eta_{b} = \frac{(h_{9} - h_{a,1}) - f(K)}{f h_{f}}$$
(B6)

where h_g and K are from NACA unpublished data based on thermodynamic data from reference 2.

Turbine efficiency. - The turbine efficiency was calculated by

$$\eta_{t} = \frac{1 - \frac{T_{9}}{T_{4}}}{1 - \left(\frac{P_{5}}{P_{4}}\right)^{\gamma - 1}}$$
(B7)

A 5 percent total-pressure loss in the tail pipe was assumed as determined from previous tests. Therefore, P_5 was assumed to equal 1.0526 P_9 .

Compressor efficiency. - The compressor efficiency was obtained from the equation

$$\eta_{c} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \\ \frac{P_{3}}{P_{4}} \end{bmatrix}^{\gamma} - 1}{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{T_{3}}{T_{1}} - 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$
(B8)

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TABLE I. - FUEL PROPERTIES

Pentaborane ^a , B ₅ H ₉	
Formula weight Melting point, ^O F Boiling point, ^O F at 760 mm Hg Heat of combustion, Btu/lb Specific gravity, 32 ^O F Stoichiometric fuel-air ratio Pounds of B ₂ O ₃ per million Btu	63.17 -52 136 29,127 ^b 0.644 0.07635 94
MIL-F-5624A, grade JP-4	
Initial boiling point, ^O F Percent evaporated at ^O F	
5 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 95 Final boiling point Residue, percent Loss, percent Reid vapor pressure, lb/sq in. Specific gravity, 60°/60° F Hydrogen-carbon ratio Net heat of combustion, Btu/lb	180 243 292 316 331 341 355 371 390 421 447 480 1.0 1.0 2.4 0.778 0.168 18,675

aPure.

bHeating value used at time report was prepared.
A better value is 29,100 Btu/lb. Both values are based on water in the gaseous phase.

TABLE	II.	-	ENGINE	AND	COMPONENT	PERFORMANCE	DATA
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Run Fuel			Time from	Altitude ambient	Engine- inlet	Engine- inlet	Compressor - outlet	Compressor- outlet	Combustor- outlet	Exhaust- nozzle-	Exhaust- nozzle-	Engine speed,	inlet
	JP-4, percent by weight	Blend, percent by weight	start of fuel blend- ing, min	pressure, po, lb sq ft abs	total pressure, P1, 1b sq ft abs	total temper- ature, T1, oR	total pressure, P3, 1b sq ft abs	total temperature, T3, OR	total pressure, P4, lb sq ft abs	inlet total pressure, Pg, lb sq ft abs	inlet total tempera- ture, T9, oR	N, rpm	air flow Wa,1, lb/sec
						Stand	dard fuel no	zzle					
1	100			270	410	507	1835	836	1745	668	1492	6925	18.23
2	100			267	496 413	507 507	1911 2075	860 866	1818 1975	701 742	1580 1636	7110 7263	18.25
3 4 5	100 100 100			270 264 267	405 406	507 508	2068 2135	8 8 5 8 9 8	1968 2032	752 783	1688 1760	7387 7540	18.95 19.17
						Modi	fied fuel no	zzle 1					
6 7 8 9 10 11	100 100 100 100 100		===	27 2 270 270 266 275 268	408 408 404 404 414 404	506 505 504 504 504 499	2059 2185 2088 1890 1830 1848	855 886 873 840 827 829	1957 2079 1986 1805 1740 1756	751 800 766 693 674 674	1637 1724 1664 1514 1454 1462	7271 7552 738 3 700 3 6 8 69 691 3	18.95 19.24 18.89 18.07 18.00 18.16
12	100		0	261	400	500	2164	884	2061	792	1737	7552 7554	19.39
13 14 15 16 17	89 77.9 71.0 65.2	11.0 22.1 29.0 33.8	1.0 2.5 4.2 6.0 13.0	274 271 265 268 265	405 410 411 414 404	500 500 500 500 500	2179 2114 2111 2122 2188	886 870 875 864 886	2075 2013 2010 2020 2083	800 779 777 788 801	1770 1711 1692 1748 1736	7319 7308 7236 7574	19.12 19.41 19.49 19.75
						Modi	fied fuel no	zzle 2					
18 19 20 21 22	100 100 78 70.3 64.5	22 39.7 35.5	0 1.03 2.8 4.7	276 281 278 272 279	421 414 418 418 425	514 515 514 512 514	1957 2230 2235 2226 2238	864 908 901 904 905	1858 2120 2126 2118 2130	726 815 819 815 825	1561 1722 1779 1752 1781	7080 7637 7637 7591 7541	18.59 19.60 19.77 19.72 19.83
23 24 25 26 27	64.7 64.5 57.9 64.5 70.0	35.3 35.5 42.1 35.5 30.0	5.7 6.8 8.4 10.8 12.1	276 277 280 273 273	425 425 428 421 421	513 514 515 514 514	2243 2240 2229 2213 2214	896 901 903 900 895	2135 2133 2124 2107 2106	827 829 825 817 814	1783 1791 1780 1801 1776	7521 7512 7418 7444 7405	19.83 19.78 19.77 19.53 19.50
28 29 30 31	100 100 100 100		33.3 36.9 41.0 45.0	277 280 280 277	4 25 421 418 418	514 512 510 510	1923 2075 2224 2022	850 870 893 875	1830 1976 2118 2040	703 760 814 781	1498 1613 1720 1640	6942 7199 7488 7286	18.74 18.97 19.66 19.29

TABLE II. - Concluded. ENGINE AND COMPONENT PERFORMANCE DATA

Run	Compressor- outlet air flow, Wa,3, lb/sec	Total engine fuel flow Wf, lb/hr	Jet thrust, F _j , 1b	Net thrust, F _n , 1b	Specific fuel consumption, sfc, lb/hr/lb	ance	to altit	M = 0.8 Specific	Cor- rected engine speed, $\frac{N}{\sqrt{\theta_1}}$, rpm	Engine total-temper-ature ratio, T9 T1	Engine total-pressure ratio, Pg Pl	Compressor efficiency,	Combus- tor effi- ciency, N	Turbine effi- ciency, n _t	Combustor pressure loss, P3-P4 P3
Standard fuel nozzle															
1 2 3 4 5	17.81 17.82 18.51 18.48 18.68	895 976 1096 1146 1250	1105 1179 1296 1328 1396	636 709 805 834 902	1.391 1.377 1.361 1.374 1.386	6475 6645 6795 6910 7040	573 645 721 760 826	1.305 1.291 1.276 1.288 1.294	7008 7195 7350 7476 7623	2.943 3.116 3.227 3.329 3.465	1.630 1.728 1.799 1.855 1.931	0.825 .801 .829 .796 .792	0.9828 .979 .962 .964 .953	0.797 .807 .794 .802 .807	0.0491 .0486 .0483 .0484 .0483
Modified fuel nozzle 1															
6 7 8 9 10 11	18.47 18.74 18.41 17.65 17.58 17.75	1110 1250 1156 952 878 900	1274 1393 1309 1135 1070 1090	794 902 832 671 613 630	1.398 1.386 1.389 1.419 1.433 1.428	6820 7090 6945 6585 6460 6515	720 819 761 613 548 574	1.314 1.300 1.309 1.339 1.349 1.358	7366 7658 7494 7108 6972 7051	3.235 3.414 3.302 3.004 2.885 2.930	1.841 1.961 1.896 1.715 1.628 1.668	0.854 .816 .819 .832 .826	0.961 .983 .941 .938 .946	0.773 .796 .802 .793 .806	0.0495 .0485 .0489 .0450 .0492 .0498
12 13 14 15 16 17	18.91 18.77 18.64 18.95 19.01 19.26	1253 1229 1100 1050 1066 1266	1390 1399 1348 1357 1371 1409	889 922 861 849 863 902	1.409 1.332 1.278 1.238 1.235 1.404	7120 7120 6900 6890 6820 7140	822 840 777 766 770 824	1.331 1.262 1.213 1.166 1.179 1.329	7695 7698 7458 7447 7373 7718	3.474 3.540 3.422 3.384 3.496 3.472	1.980 1.975 1.900 1.891 1.903 1.983	.808 .801 .809 .796 .819	.955 .934 .932 .940 .959	.798 .810 .803 .813 .810	0.0476 .0478 .0478 .0479 .0481 .0480
						Mo	odified i	uel nozzl	e 2						
18 19 20 21 22	18.13 19.08 19.27 19.2 19.3	1003 1285 1216 1140 1143	1210 1393 1458 1452 1462	726 903 952 936 946	1.381 1.423 1.277 1.218 1.207	6590 7100 7105 7075 7020	639 807 843 827 824	1.288 1.325 1.193 1.141 1.126	7151 7706 7713 7697 7616	3.049 3.357 3.475 3.435 3.479	1.726 1.970 1.960 1.952 1.942	0.811 .798 .818 .802 .800	0.954 .918 .924 .921 .928	0.820 .825 .799 .815 .805	0.0506 .0494 .0488 .0485 .0483
23 24 25 26 27	19.31 19.26 19.26 19.03 18.99	1135 1126 1083 1129 1131	1462 1458 1446 1438 1426	941 940 930 924 912	1.206 1.198 1.164 1.222 1.24	7005 6990 6895 6935 6895	819 819 804 812 804	1.125 1.116 1.086 1.141 1.154	7601 7587 7485 7518 7479	3.489 3.498 3.470 3.518 3.469	1.947 1.952 1.930 1.942 1.935	.816 .809 .8013 .8091	.935 .937 .9276 .9386 .9317	.801 .794 .800 .788 .784	.0481 .0478 .0472 .0480 .0488
28 29 30 31	18.29 18.49 19.14 18.80	922 1107 1271 1140	1148 1290 1416 1332	657 806 919 838	1.40 1.373 1.335 1.360	6465 6710 6995 6805	572 707 811 742	1.308 1.273 1.298 1.273	7011 7300 7623 7417	2.926 3.163 3.386 3.228	1.655 1.807 1.949 1.870	.826 .827 .8271 .796	.978 .949 .9320 .946	.811 .846 .821 .824	.0484 .0477 .0477 .0406

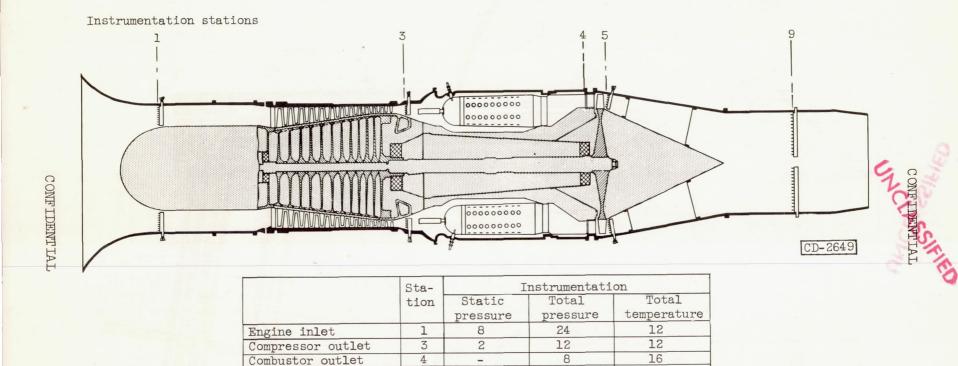


Figure 1. - Schematic diagram of turbojet-engine installation in altitude test chamber.

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Exhaust-nozzle inlet

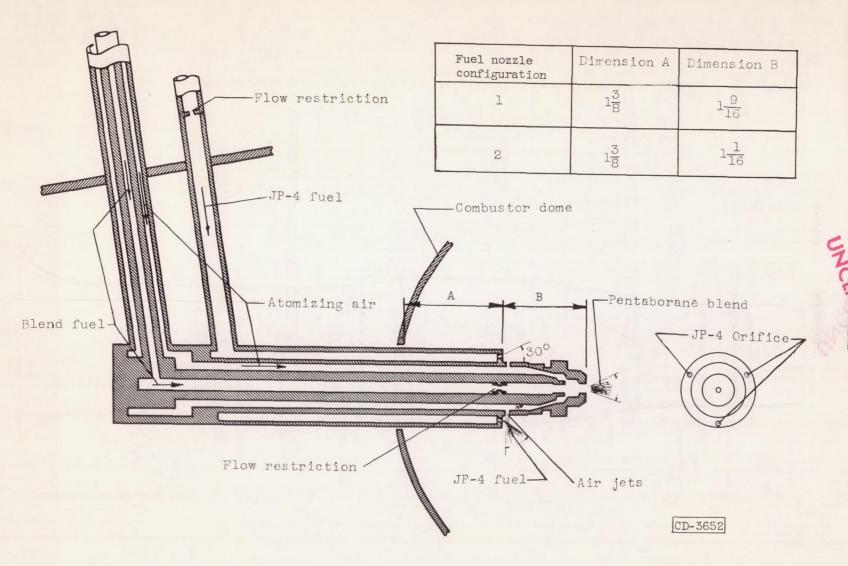
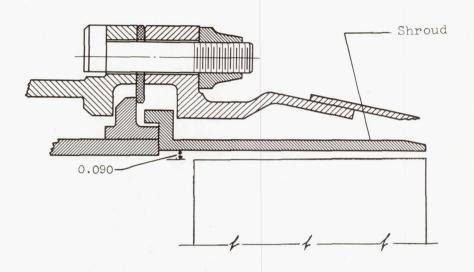


Figure 2. - Cross-section of modified fuel nozzle.



(a) Standard turbine shroud.

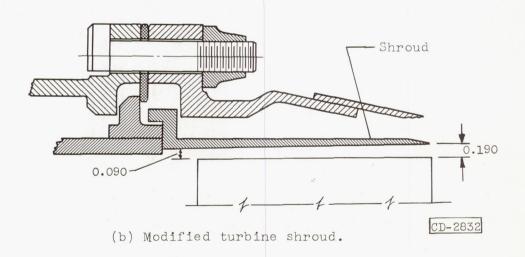


Figure 3. - Cross section of standard and modified turbine shroud.

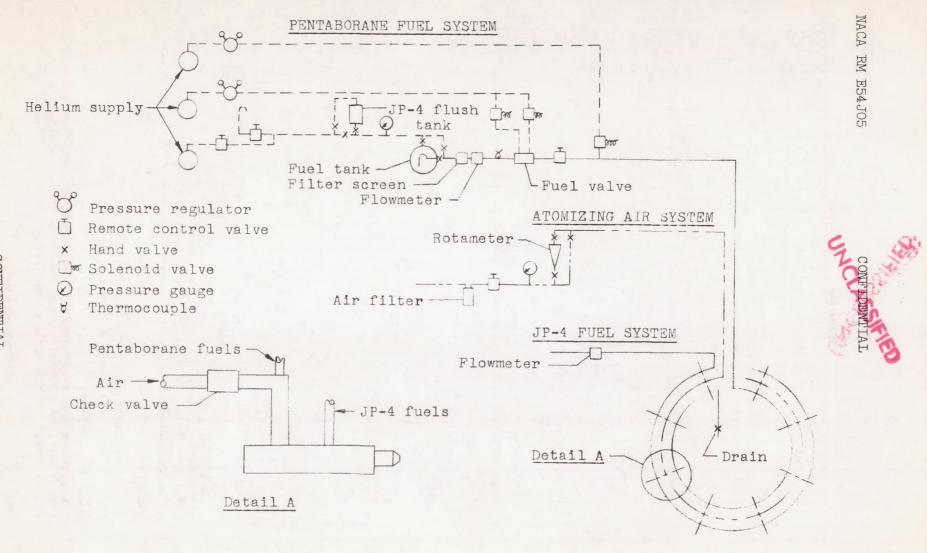


Figure 4 - Diagram of engine fuel system.

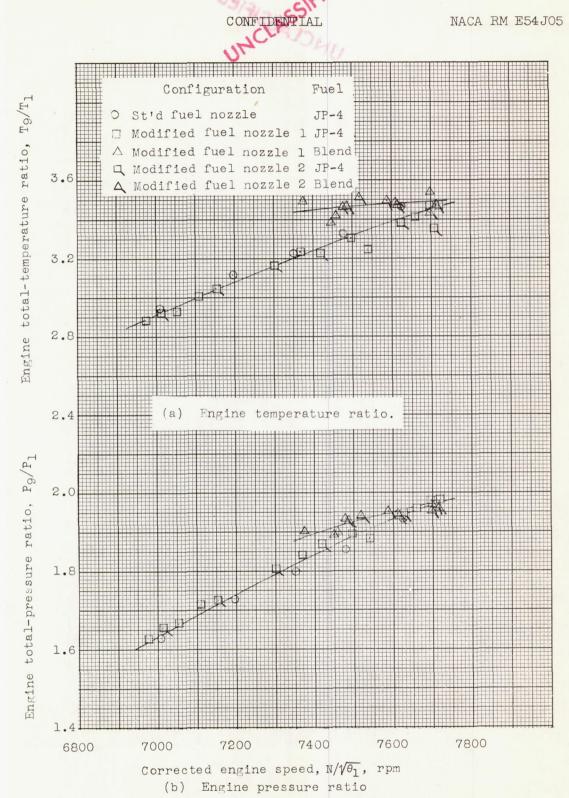


Figure 5. - Effect of corrected engine speed on engine temperature and pressure ratio for JP-4 fuel and variable concentrations of pentaborane and JP-4 fuel. Altitude, 50,000 feet; flight Mach number 0.8.

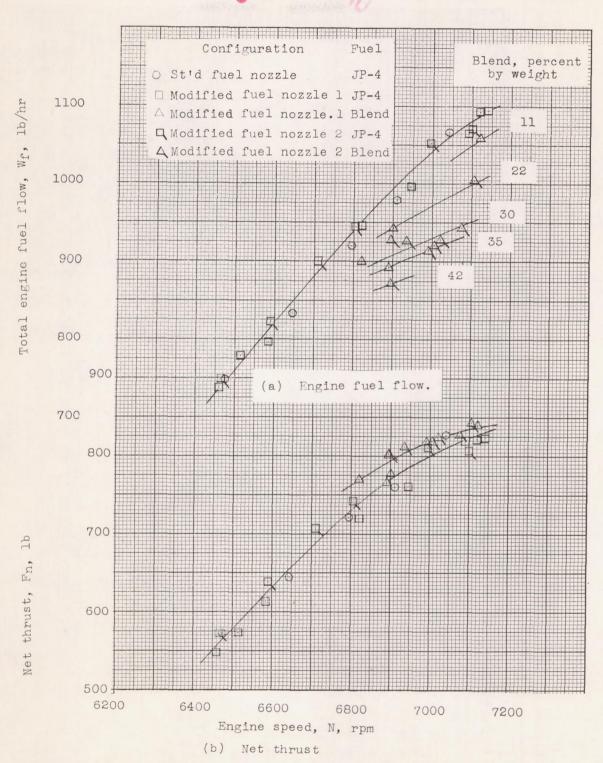
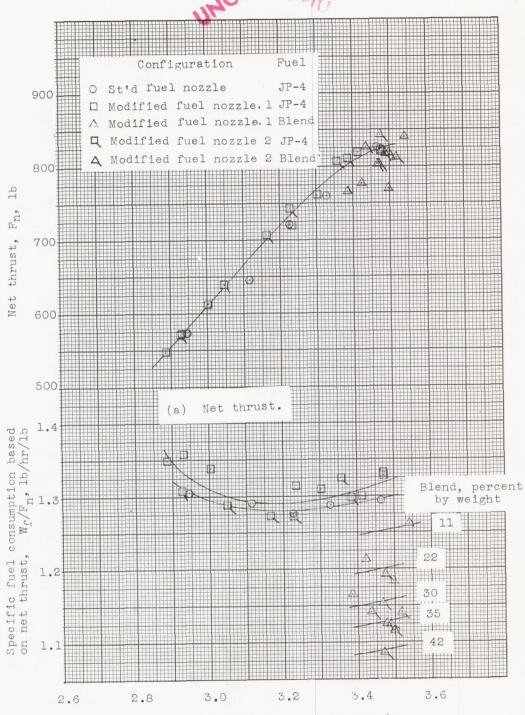


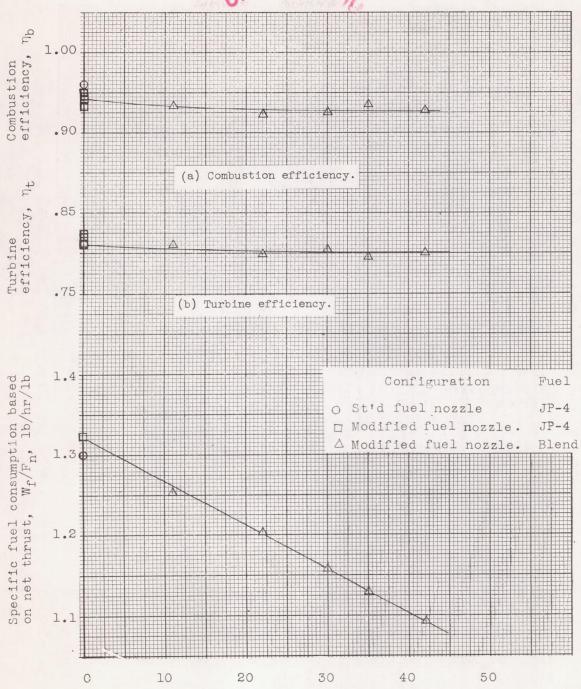
Figure 6. - Effect of engine speed on engine performance for JP-4 fuel and variable concentrations of pentaborane in JP-4 fuel. Altitude, 50,000 feet; flight Mach number 0.8.



Engine total-temperature ratio, T_9/T_1 (b) Specific fuel consumption

Figure 7. - Effect of engine temperature ratio on engine performance for JP-4 fuel and variable concentrations of pentaborane in JP-4 fuel. Altitude, 50,000 feet; flight Mach number, 0.8.





Pentaborane in JP-4 fuel mixture, percent by weight

(c) Specific fuel consumption

Figure 8. - Engine performance for variable concentrations of Pentaborane in JP-4 fuel. Altitude, 50,000 feet; flight Mach number, 0.8. Engine temperature ratio, 3.5.

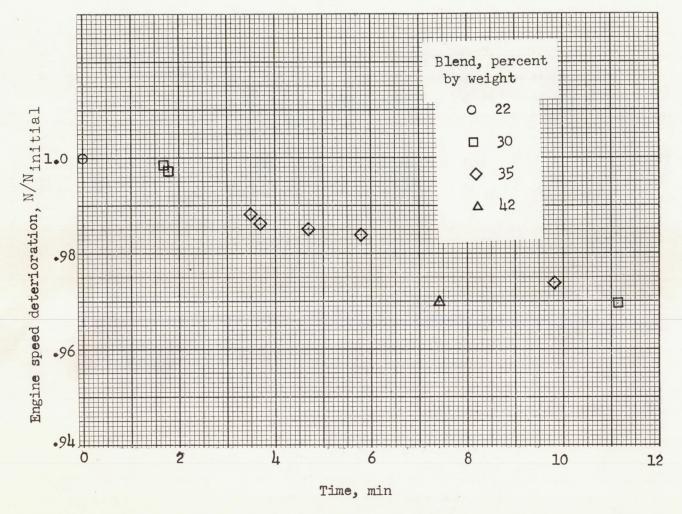
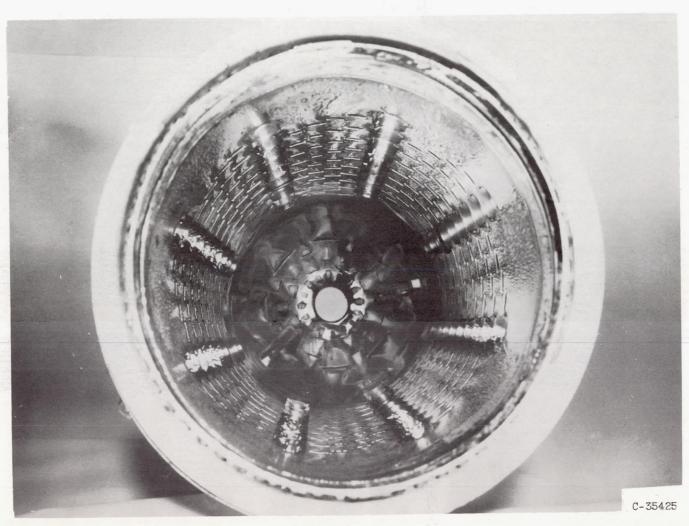


Figure 9. - Effect of operation with pentaborane - JP-4 fuel blends on engine speed. Exhaust-gas temperature, 1780 $^{\circ} R$

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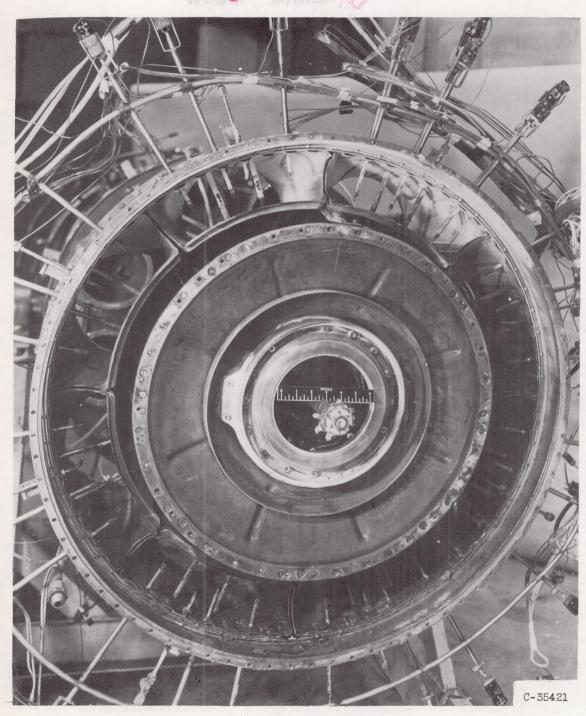
(a) Fuel nozzles.

Figure 10. - Deposit characteristics of pentaborane - JP-4 fuel mixtures at end of modified fuel nozzle 2 test run. (Includes final fuel system clean-out run with JP-4 fuel.)



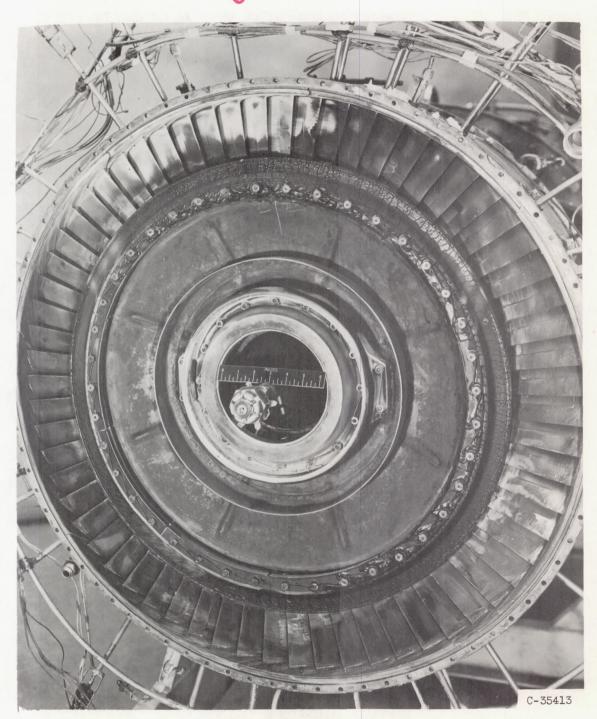
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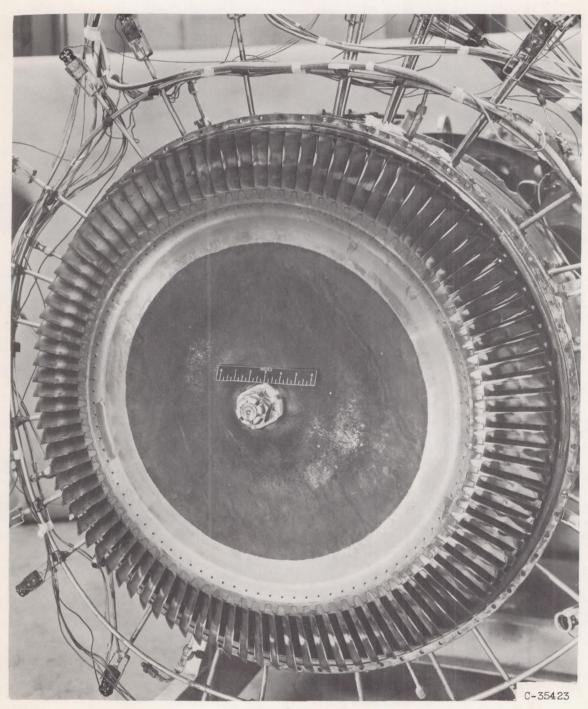
(c) Transition section.

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(d) Turbine nozzle diaphragm (downstream view).

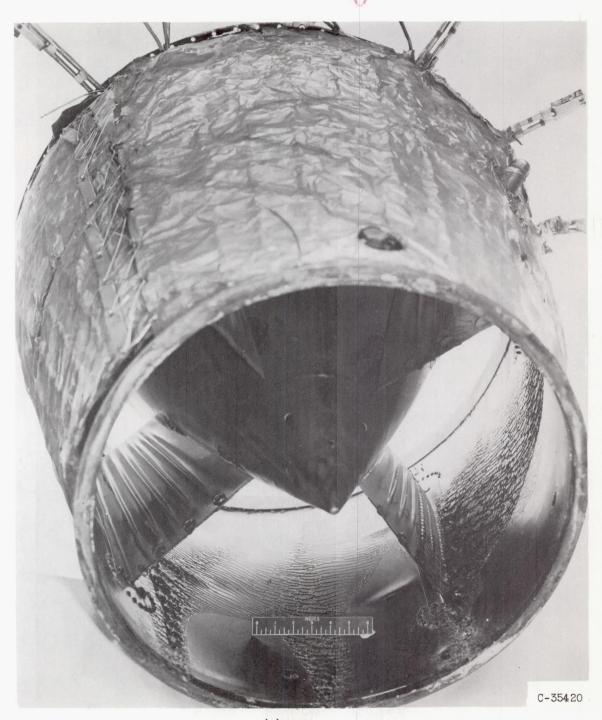
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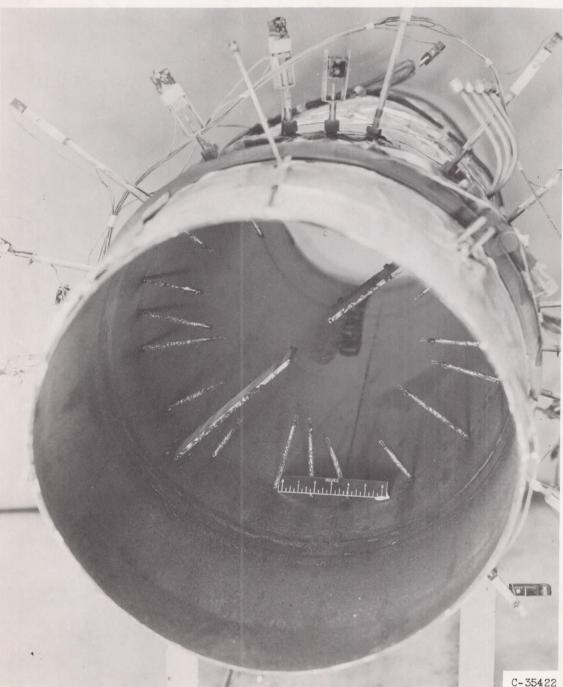
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(f) Tail cone.

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(g) Tail pipe and exhaust nozzle.

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